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| In re the Patent Application of:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Group Art Unit: 1631              |
| Applicant: Satoru Miyano                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Examiner: Zeman, Mary K.          |
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment  
 Commissioner for Patents  
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 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a response to the Office Communication mailed October 15, 2007 (**Non-Final Action**). The two-month extended deadline is March 15, 2008 (a Saturday). Applicants submit herewith a two-month Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee. Accordingly, Applicants believe that the Reply is being timely filed. Applicants believe that the fees submitted herewith are sufficient. However, in the event that Applicants are incorrect in their assumption, please charge any necessary fee to Deposit Account No. 23-2415, referencing Docket No. 34569-704.201.

Prior to reconsidering this application on the merits, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.